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REPLY TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION

Sir:

Responsive to the December 11, 2002 Final Office Action issued in connection with the above-identified patent application, applicants respectfully request reconsideration of this case in light of the following remarks.

REMARKS

I. Introduction

Claims 1-19 and 37-48 are pending.

Claims 1-19 and 37-48 were rejected under the judicially created doctrine of obviousness-type double patenting as being unpatentable over either claims 1-59 of Brenner et al., U.S. Patent No. 6,004,211 (hereinafter